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FOR AMBASSADOR RICHARD JONES

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SUBJECT: CONTRACTING REQUEST RECEIVED AT EMBASSY KUWAIT FOR

AMBASSADOR JONES

 ${\color{red} \underline{\bf 1}}{1}.$  Embassy Kuwait has received the following message for Ambassador Richard Jones, Deputy Administrator, CPA

QUOTE:

Anwar Al-Bisher & Partners Attorneys at Law

25 January 2004

Ambassador Richard Jones Deputy Administrator Coalition Provisional Authority Baghdad, Iraq

SUBJECT: Urgent: RFP #DABV01-04-Q-006, 11-03-03, IRAQI TRAVEL DOCUMENT ISSUANCE SYSTEM

Dear Ambassador Jones,

This law firm represents several American multinational companies. It has been brought to my attention by a few of my clients that the subject 'Request for Proposal for Iraqi Travel Documents or Passports' was issued for solicitation of bids on January 20, 2004 and was given a deadline for submission of February 4, 2004. The 2-week period for preparation of a proposal would be reasonable given the current emergency situation in Iraq, however, there is a 4-day period of Muslim public holidays from January 31 to February 3, inclusive, which may not have been considered by the PMO issuing office. This period is substantial when there is ahighly limited ability to gather local/regional input as well as local/regional involvement to the preparation of a bid proposal.

This letter serves to formally request that consideration be given by the Coalition Providional Authority to extending the RFP submission deadline in order to make up for the loss of the holiday period. We appreciate your efforts to carry this request forward to the relevant persons within the CPA organization and to assist American companies to obtain an extension.

Very truly yours,

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